Sabbath-day marching as well as Sabbath-day fighting. Sunday, it is well known, was a Tavorite day for combat on both sides, and it is not unlikely that from victories won on that day the Union armies finally triumphed. Undoubtedly it is well to "observe the Sabbath day and keep it holy;" but we are inclined to think that a man may be as good a Christian while pouring out his blood for the salvation of his country on that day as another may be whining and canting in a fashionable pulpit, lined with purple velvet and hung around with rich gold bullion. It is time this old blue light Puritanical mockery of religion was done away

Fish and the Fishery Congress.

Fish live in the water. This interesting fact In natural history has its advantages and disadvantages. If the inhabitants of the liquid ele ment were to be suddenly transported from thence to terra firma, with such change of breathing apparatus as would enable them to live, they would be greatly in the way. They fould be consuming the oxygen of our atmosphere, and there is not any too much of that now, especially in our large cities; they would have trouble in finding food, and their fins would not answer well for either aerial or uperficial locomotion. So we do not want the scaly gentlemen out of their natural realms. But, on the other hand, their present abode causes us much inconvenience. We wish to study their habits and attend at their nuptials and insure subsequent fertility, and yet we cannot remain in the water to do it. The world that inhabits the land has discovered that fish are worth cultivating, and it is anxious to acquire all the necessary information for this purpose. It finds them excellent for food and desires to enforce upon them the old Mosaic law, "to increase and multiply."

These dwellers in the running brook, placid lake or deep, deep sea cannot be propagated unless their peculiarities are understood and respected. They have odd notions. Salmon will jump over falls of considerable height and will run up against heavy rapids; but to induce them to climb over artificial obstructions certain sorts of "ladders" must be prepared for them. They prefer to leap from pool to pool in surmounting a dam, and have a prejudice against anything out of the ordinary course of nature; they even dislike the use of wood in the construction of their fishways, and greatly prefer slate, because it resembles the ordinary rock. Trout, on the other hand, take more readily to long inclined troughs with bars across to create eddies, and dislike jumping at conclusions where the barrier has been made by their arch-enemy, man. So shad are adapted to using one sort of fishway and black bass and whitefish another. At least these are the generally received conclusions, for the entire amount of knowledge on the subject is not entirely satisfactory.

The same, it not greater, differences exist between the various species in other matters, in their times and manner of spawning, in character of eggs, in period required for gestation and in the mode of escape from destruction afterwards. To discuss these and similar questions, to agree on general laws, to prepare regulations which shall prevent discordance between adjoining States, the great gods of this department of nature, the Commiss of Fisheries for the various States, are to meet in this city on the 29th instant and have a grand powwow and conference. All the New England States, New York and Pennsylvania have appointed such Boards, and the members are cheply exercised over the character of certain improved "ladders" which the British Inspector of Fisheries, Mr. Frank Buckland, has sent to the New York Commissioners, and which, it is supposed, are so enticingly and can refuse to make use of them. The meeting will be fully attended, and will be of vital interest, not merely to human beings, but to the fish, with whom it is a question of life or

Conflict of Races in the South The news that comes to us almost daily from the South about conflicts between the whites and negroes shows an unpromising state of things. It indicates, indeed, a conflict in the future between the two races as irrepressible as that which existed between the North and South on the subject of slavery. The reports published in the HERALD on Sunday of a white man being shot by a negro in the Mayor's Court at Charlotte, N. C., and of the horrible outrages by the colored militia in Arkansas are only two cases out of numerous ones of a similar character occurring all over the South. And what is the cause? Radicalism. Northern carpet-bag radicals, with a few radical Southern scalawags, make the deluded negroes their tools and bring about these conflicts. The mass of the Southern whites everywhere desire peace and to live in harmony with the negroes under the new order of things. They are aware that their own welfare depends upon this, as well as that of the colored folks, and strain every nerve to maintain friendly relations with the negroes; but the radical firebrands will not permit that. If these conflicts continue they will assuredly inaugurate a general war of races, and in that case the negroes must go to the wall. Blood is thicker than water, and the whites will rally together against the blacks. In such a war the sympathy of the white people of the North, too, must be with their own race. The pretended radical friends of the negro are really his worst enemy and are preparing the way for the extinguishment of his race in this country.

FARRAGUT'S CHRISTMAS GIFT.—It would be a handsome thing for the gentlemen who propose to give Farragut a dinner to give him instead a more lasting and splendid token of their good will in De Haas' picture of one of his glorious achievements before the rebel batteries. We understand the old here is very fond of this picture, and took almost as much interest in it as the painter himself, furnishing many a hint during its raining to help out the truth in details. He ought to own it, in order that by and by, when it goes into a gallery as one of our great historical pictures, it may have the additional interest of this association with the old Admiral.

HAVAL INTELLIGENCE.

FOR THE WEST INDIA SQUADRON.-Last week orders were received at the Navy Yard that the United States steamship Narraganset should be placed in commission and fitted for sea immediately. The Narraganset wit join the West india squadron, and will leave this cort about the end of next month.

TELEGRAPHIC FROM

ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

War Excitement in Constantinople and Athens.

English Press Comments on President Johnson's Message.

RIOTS IN SPAIN.

TURKEY AND GREECE.

The Turkish Admiral's Course Approved-The Ambassadors of the European Powers and Greek Residents in Turkey.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 20, 1868. The Sublime Porte approves the conduct of Adm ral Hobart Pacha at the harbor of Syra.

The Ambassadors of the Western Powers decline

to exercise protection over the affairs of the Greek residents after their expulsion from the Turkish do

Intense Excitement in Athens and Cousta nople-Indignities to the Russian Flag-Action of the French and Austrian Govern-

PARIS, Dec. 21-Evening. It is reported that Prince Metternich has received instructions from Vienna to act in concert with France on the Eastern difficulty.

The Presse represents that the war excitement is

as intense in Constantinople as it is in Athens, and states that the Russian flag has been publicly burned in the streets of Constantinople. Greek Subjects of Turkey Memorialize th

Athenian Government to Avoid War.
CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 21, 1868.
The Greek subjects of the Sultan have sen a memo rial to Athens praying the government to avoid war

ENGLAND.

The Lendon Times on President Johnson Annual Message.
London, Dec. 21, 1868.

The steamers which arrived a day or two ago brought the annual Message of President Johnson. The *Times* this morning in its comments refers to the President's stubbornness, denounces his repudi-ation proposition and approves the action of the Sen-ate and the House in their disposal of the document.

The Members Appointed to Positions in th Government Re-elected to Parliament.

London, Dec. 21-Evening. All the members of Parliament appointed to pos tions in the government have been re-elected, except Mr. Cardwell, whose election will take place to orrow. None of the elections were conte

Re-election of Messrs. Gladstone, Bright and Lowe to the British Parliament.
LONDON, Dec. 21, 1868.

Messrs. Gladstone, Bright and Lowe have been re-

elected to Parliament:

Mr. Gladstone, in a speech at the hustings in the ballot; but if free voting was impossible without such a safeguard, then he was for the ballot.

Mr. Bright also made a speech before his re-elec-tion at Birmingham, in which he explained that he had declined his first appointment as Secretary for India because the labor of that office was too severe for him in the present state of his health and also ecause he thought the views of the country in regard to Indian policy were not sufficiently advanced. He argued that the late Parliamentary elections fresh evidence in favor of the adoption of the ballot. He denounced the profligacy of the tory party, and closed with promising on the part of the Cabinet economical reformation in the administra-tion of the government.

SPAIN.

Election Disturbances in Some of the Town MADRID, Dec. 21, 1868.
Disturbances growing out of the elections are re ported in some towns, but they were of an insig nificant character.

FRANCE.

The Ministerial Change. It is generally believed that the ministerial change in France is due to the influence of the anti-clerical

PRUSSIA.

Adjournment of the Prussian Chambers. BERLIN, Dec. 21, 1868. The Prussian Diet has adjourned for the holidays

MISSOURI.

Weman Suffrage in Missouri-Ne Indians in the Rear of General Sheridan-Death of a Railroad Contractor. St. Louis, Dec. 21, 1868.

The Woman's Suffrage Association of this city is actively engaged in getting signatures to memorials to Congress and to the State Legislature praying for is signed by over 2,000 persons and will be forwarded to-day. The association holds its meetings weekly, sidesable public interest is manif

The expedition under Colonel Carpenter, which left Fort Wallace last month, has returned. No evidence was found of Indians being in the rear of eneral Sheridan, and no fears were felt of further rouble north of Arkansas this winter.

Andrew Rielly, a prominent railroad contractor of this State, and well known in Pennsylvania and the East, died here on Saturday evening.

A Family Poisoned-Reported Disaster to

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 21, 1868. Mr. Kohl, wife, five children and two boarders were poisoned yesterday from eating rabbits. The whole party were very sick, but prompt medica

weil.

Rimors are current in Western Kansas that General Sheridan had met with a defeat at the hands of the Indians; but these reports are unfounded. No hattle has taken place since November 27, when General Custer defeated Black Kettle.

Navigation of the Mississippi river has been resumed to points South. The Illinois river is reported open to Peoris.

LOUISIANA.

the Case of the Peruvian Iron-Clads. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 21, 1868. The Collector of the port of New Orleans to-day re ceived a despatch from Secretary McCulloch that the Peruvian transport Havana is covered by her flag, and that she is not to be seized.

RHODE ISLAND.

Death of Vicar General O'Rielly. PROVIDENCE, Dec. 21, 1868. Rev. William O'Rielly, pastor of St. Mary's Catho-lic church in Newport, and Vicar General of the Diocese of Hartford, died suddenly on Sunday morn-

VERMONT.

Boiler Explosion-Loss of Lite.

On Saturday afternoon, by the explosion of the steam boiler at the marble excavation works in West Rutland, Amos Powers, the engineer, was killed and four workmen were badly though not fatally in-

THE PARAGUAYAN WAR.

No Fighting Since Last Advices-The Allies Advancing to Invest Asuncion—The United States Ficet Gone Up the Parana to Demand Satisfaction. LISBON, Dec. 21, 1868.

The regular mail steamer from Rio Janeiro has arrived here, bringing dates from that city to the The war news was meagre. There had been n fighting since the last advices. General Argollo, of the allied troops, was advancing his command to in-

vest the Paraguayans at Asuncion. Rear Admiral Davis, of the American Navy, with several vessels of his fleet, had gone up the river Paraná to Asuncion. He was accompanied by the American Minister, Mr. McMahon. They go to demand satisfaction from the Paraguayan government for outrages against the American flag.

CUBA.

Commercial and Financial.

HAVANA, Dec. 19, 1888.

The following are the closing prices of American and other articles of produce for the week:— Lard is advancing. American, in tierces, \$18 50 a \$18 75 per quintal; in tins, \$19 50 a \$20. Flour flat. Fortier is active at \$30 a \$40 per quintal, according to quality. Bacon firmer at \$17 50 a \$18 per quin-tal. Wax—Yellow is heavy at \$8 a \$8 50 per arrobe; white is heavy at \$9 50 a \$10. Petroleum is active at 3% a 4 reals per gallon. Potatoes are advancing: Hams are in demand; American, \$16 a \$18 per quin Lumber-Yellow pine quiet at \$23 per 1,600 eet; white pine active at \$22 50 per 1,000 feet Cooperage stock—Box shooks—The market is well supplied at 8 reals each; hogshead shooks, 2½ a 2½ reals; empty casks are in demand at 2% reals Sales were made of hoops, 14 feet long, at \$47 a \$50. Onions are quiet and unchanged.

FREIGHTS .- The market is quiet. Sugar, per box, o Southern American ports, 80c. a \$1. Sugar, per nogshead, to Southern American ports, \$4 25 a \$4 50. Sugar, per hogshead, to North American ports, \$3 a

Sugars.-The market is nominal and the sale have been small.

Molasses.-Clayed is active at 4% a 5 reals per keg. Muscovado, or common, active at 5% a 6 reals. Exchange.—On London, 18 a 18% per cent prenium; on Paris, 3 a 4 premium; on the United States, long sight, in currency, 20% a 19% discount; do., short sight, 19% a 18% discount. Gold exchange on the United States, long sight, 6 a 7 premium; do., short sight, 814 a 9 premium

THE NEW DOMINION.

The D'Arcy McGee Murder-The Ottawa Verdict Sustained-Whelan Will Appeal to the Court of Errors and Appeals. TORONTO, Dec. 21, 1868.

The Court of Queen's Bench refused to-day to gran a new trial to Whelan, convicted of the murder of Wilson sustained the verdict of the Ottawa jury while Judge Morrison dissented. The prisoner was against the ruling of the Court to-day to the Court of Errors and Appeals.

Proposals for Construction of the Intercolonial Railway. OTTAWA, Dec. 21, 1868.

The Intercolonial Railway Commissioners adver-tise for tenders for the construction of four sections of that road-two in Quebec, connecting with the Grand Trunk at Rivière du Loup; one in New Brunswick, near Dalhousie, and the fourth in Nova Scotia. The sections are from twenty to twenty-six miles in length.

ARKANSAS.

Citizens Fleeing from Conway County on count of Abuse by the Militia—Another Ver-sion of the Lewisburg Outrages—Ku Kluxes MEMPHIS, Dec. 21, 1868.

many prominent citizens have fled from the militia in Conway county to this city.

Captain Gibbons, commanding the militia at Lewisburg, reports to the Governor that the old man

Casey was murdered for his money by his partners, Bruden and Bently, who burned their store and then fled, and that the property of Gill and Mathews was royed by incen liaries because they were radicals. He adds:-"I think I can conquer the Ku

The Little Rock correspondent says that Gibbons was a member of the Legislature during probable; that the loss of conservative citizens by Bruden and Bently fled to save their lives.

General Upham reports from Augusta, Dec driven the insurgents out of Woodruff county into Jackson, killing one man and capturing several er with arms and horses. Refugees say half the truth has not been told of the

FLORIDA.

The Case of Lieutenant Governor Glease Again-Attempts to Indict Governor Reed and Senator Osborn in the United States District Court.
TALLAHASSER, Dec. 21, 1868.

Telegraphic information was received here to-day that Judge Miller, of the United States Supreme Court, on the plea of the respondent Gleason, has signed a citation (which was refused signature here by judgment of ouster against Lieutenant Governo Gleason) inquiring as to his title to office under the

The United States District Court is in session at

It is currently reported here that efforts will be made before the jury to indict Governor Reed for some failure or excess of duty while agent of the Post Office Department, previous to his election as Governor; also to indict Senator Osborn for some misdemeanor while Register in Bankruptcy, pre vious to his election as Senator.

TENNESSEE.

Another Negro Murdered in Memphis. MEMPHIS, Dec. 21, 1868. The body of a negro named John Shaw was found near the City Hospital this morning, with his head crushed from blows with an axe. Louis Given, who

ived in the same house with Shaw, has been arrested on the charge of committing the murder. His axe was found covered with blood. EUROPEAN MARKETS.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.—LONDON, Dec. 21—5:30 P. M.—Consols closed at 22% for money and account. Cnified States five-twenty bonds, 74%; Eric Railway shares, 25%; Illinois Central, 96%. Money market

shares, 25%; Illinois Central, 96%. Money market quiet.
Frankfort Bourse.—Frankfort, Dec. 21—Evening.—United States five-twenties closed at 78 a 78% for the issue of 1892.
Liverpool. Cotton Market.—Liverpool., Dec. 21—5:30 P. M.—The market closed quiet and steady at the following quotations:—Middling uplands, 10%d. a 10%d. Middling Orleans, 10%d. a 11d. The sales of the day foot up 12,000 bales.
Havre Cotton Market.—Havre, Dec. 21.—Tres ordinaire, 124f.
Liverpool. Breadstuffs and Provisions Market.—Liverpool. Breadstuffs.
Liverpool. Produce Market.—Liverpool., Dec. 21.—Evening.—Lineed oil has advanced to £39 10s. per ton. Other articles unchanged.
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London Produce Market.—Liverpool., Dec. 21.—5:30 P. M.—Calcutta linseed has advanced ed. and is quoted at 57s. 5d. a 5es. per cwt. Sugar and oils unchanged. Tailow market weak at 4ss. 3d.
Petroleum Market.—Antwerf. Dec. 21.—Petroleum 55f. for standard white.

EUROPEAN MARINE NEWS.

SOUTHAMPTON, Dec. 21 .- The steamable Deutsch-SOUTHAMPTON, Dec. 21.—The steamanp Deutscal-land arrived at this port yesterday.

QUEENSTOWN, Dec. 21.—The steamer Tripoli, from New York December 10, arrived at this port at eleven o'clock this morning and salled again for Liverpool.

CONFLAGRATIONS AT DIFFERENT POINTS.

Great Fire at Rochester-Loss \$100,000-A Newspaper Establishment Destroyed-Four

Firemen Injured.
ROCHESTER, Dec. 21, 1868. A destructive fire took place on Saturday night in the central part of this city, destroying property to the value of about \$100,000. Owing to an insufficiency of water, for a time it threatened to sweep away some of the best business blocks. The fire took in the printing office of the daily Democrat, which was totally destroyed, together with Sargent's bank lock factory, in the same building, on Pindel alley. The Union Bank building, on State street, occupied by the Flour City Bank, was pretty much destroyed The fire communicated to other buildings adjoining and did some damage. The loss by water Ing and damage of goods was considerable.

The following are the chief sufferers:—
D. D. S. Brown, Rochester Democrat, \$0,000, insured; J. Sargent, lock factory, \$15,000, partially insured; D. W. Powers, owner of the Democra ouilding, and sundry others injured, \$20,000, insured: A. Ericsson, Jennings & Mumford, Union Bank, lost \$8,000, insured; Moore & Cole, grocers, lost by water \$5,000, insured; Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine Co. lost \$3,000, insured; J. C. Moore, book bindery, \$3,000, partially insured; J. R. Garrettse lost \$2,000, insured; J. Lenox stereotype foundry, \$2,000, partially insured; Messrs. O. Riel, C. Clark, J. Odenbock and J. Money, all in the hat trade, suffered some loss by water and removal. the vaults of the bankers saved and their losses are not large. There were many other sufferers in small sums. The fire broke out at eeven o'clock and was not fully subdued until six oclock the next morning. During the progress of the fire a ladder, which had been raised against the ront of the Democrat office, in Buffalo street, broke in the centre and four members of the Alert Hose Company, named Smith, Hawley, Dixon and Husbanc, who were upon it holding hose, were thrown to the pavement, a distance of twenty-five feet, and all of them severely njured, Smith, apparently, he worst of the four. At the height of the fire two of the steam fire en gines were disabled. In the course of two or thre hours one of them was put to work again.

Another Fire at Rochester-Narrow Escape from a Horribe Death.

ROCIESTER, Dec. 21, 1868. A fire occurred at five o'clock this afternoon in the American Block on State street, which burnt out a wholesale millinery and fancygoods store. A clothstock was owned by Mr. T. M. Johnson, of Buffalo, and was valued at \$13,000, and insured for \$7,500. The fancy goods were owned by O. T. Van Orman, and valued at \$6,000; insured for \$3,000. Mr. T. Baer, the clothier, was damaged \$1,000. Mr. H. Spotten, the owner of the building, lost about \$1,500. which is covered by insurance.

Two women and an infant were taken by the fire men from the third story on ladders and saved though nearly suffocated.

Large Fire at Saco, Ne.-Loss \$30,000.

SACO, Dec. 21, 1868. here took place last night. I originated in the York Hotel, which, with stables and outbuildings, was entirely destroyed, many of the occupants barely escaping with their lives. The fire then extended to les of the Saco House, the bakehouse, Dearing's barber shop, the Anerican House, Tibby's enement and several smaller buildings, all of which were burned. The York Hotel was owned by Rice & Pike, and but partially instred in the Merchants' Company, of Providence. Silas Gurney, the proprietor, at the time of the fre had \$3,000 insurance on his furniture in the Enterprise Company, of Cincinnati, and the Security, of New York. The American House and bakery, owned by Bryant & Jordan, was insured for \$5,000 in the Home Company, of New Haven; Ætna, of Hartford, and Security, of New York. Mr. Clark, the proprietor of the American House, was also insured for \$1,000 in the Security Company. The total loss is estimated

Church Burned in Pittsburg. PITTSBURG, Dec. 21, 1868.
The Bellefield Presbyterian church, in the Fourteenth ward, was totally destroyed by fire on Sun-day. The loss is \$20,000; insured for \$15,000.

Saw Mill and Lumber Burned.

Jonathan Denison's steam saw mill at Berlin, i this county, was destroyed by fire on Saturday morn-Haswell & Mosher's lumber yard in West Troy was et on fire last night and lumber to the value of

\$5,000 destroyed. The property was insured.

FINE ARTS.

Suedecer's Gallery.

Among those who were invited to a private view of the choice collection of pictures which adorn the walls of Snedecor's Art Gallery, 768 Broadway, last evening, were many of our most prominent artists and art patrons and quite a brilliant gathering of lady friends. Among the more prominent works on view were "The Yosemite Valley," by Thomas Hill; "The Crown of New England," by George L., more commonly known as "Landscape" Brown; "Sunse in California," by Bierstadt; the "Boyhood of Lin coin," by Eastman Johnson; "The Orphan," by Oregon Wilson; J. S. Brown's "Three Tomboys;" "A Landscape near Farmington," by J. M. Hart; "The Price of Blood," by T. S. Noble; a masterly marine piece, by De Haas; "Lazy Bones," a charming sketch, by Lambdin, and five or six works by A. T. Tait.

Hill's picture of the "Yosemite Valley" is a master piece. The view is taken from the foot of the Mari posa Trail, five miles from the point of view of Bierstadt's "Domes of the Yosemite." On the left towers the stupendous granue precipice El Capi-tan, its sides swathed in dazzing sunlight and relieved here and there by sombre shadows. the right are the Bridal-Veil Falls and in the back ground the Cathedral Rocks. A rain storm hide he summits of the mountains, while here and there a glance of sunshine bursts through the lifting clouds and illumines the steep declivities. In the niddle distance stands the Sentinel, a superb peak formed like a pyramid, which is flanked by the through the groves and meadows of the valley. The composition of the foreground is admirable, and altogether this is one of the most masterly land es ever produced in this country.

Brown's picture, "The Crown of New England," I :a laybreak view of Mount Washington and its siste re, taken from a slope midway between the valley, of Connecticut and Andrescoggin. Connecticut and Androscoggin.
Side by side with the original of Bierstadt's '4 sunset in California' was exhibited a chromo cof y by Prang, and so faithful is the reproduction that s. first glance it is impossible to distinguish between them. Equally faithful chromes of Johnson's "Boy" ood of Lincoin" and Coreggio's "Magdalena" were also on view.

The Artist Fund Society. The ninth annual sale of the pictures of the above society will be held this evening at the # rt Gallery, No. 845 Broadway. The catalogue com prises pic-tures of great merit, and a large attend ance is ex-pected.

Frye's Gallery. At Mr. Frye's gallery, on the corner caf Fifth avenue and Fourteenth strict, a continuous throng of visitors admire Mr. Jerome Thompson's three picures-"The Old Oaken Bucket," "Home, Sweet Home" and "Paddle four Own Canoe." This last picture is exhibited inso novel and peculiar a manner as to interest all spectators, its dependently of its artistic merits, which are by no means inferior to those of the other wel known and popular productions of Mr. Thompson.

Miner & Barker's Gallery. At Miner & Barker's gallery there will be a sale

this week of about 100 of the "Ruggies Gems," which, with their bright colors and their vivid remi niscences of so many scenes over which tourists in Europe and in America have fondly lingured, have done more to populanze art than the most preten-tions efforts of our "academicians."

New Era of the 17th linst. says:—Afterney General Mohier and John Arnstrong had a personal rencontre in one of our law offices a few days since, in which Mr. Mohier received a wight wound from a pistol shot. The dimedify, as we understand, grow out of Anne slight romarks made by Mohier in reference to some spanished of rise Armstrong family.

AMUSEMENTS.

BATEMAN'S OPERA TROUPS.-Last evening Mr. Bateman treated the public to a bottle of champagne. La Chanson de Fortunio" opened it, and while thus drawing the cork the audience were worked up to the liveliest emotions by the charming acting and sing-ing of Mile. Irma, Mile. Lambelé and the favorite Leduc. "La Chanson" was a fit prelude to the dash and sparkle that followed in "Les Bayards." the flow of good humor and determination to please on the part of all the talented actors gave the audience a treat which, from the rapturous applause which frequently burst forth, fully satisfied all. The house was crowded and new laurels added to those already worn by offenbach through Mr. Bateman. The pas dequatre which closed the evening, although prolonging the entertainment, was danced with rare skill and grace.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.-In "After Dark" the managers of Niblo's have fallen upon a very El Dorado. The success of the piece is a striking proof of what is possible to good management and liberal enterprise. As a drama the piece has not many merits; but it is put upon the stage so well that it would have been wonderful had success not attended it. The railroad scene is sensational to perfection. It is telling, effective in the truest sense. Crowded houses continue to attest the popular estimate. Of our many managers Messrs, Jarrett & Palmer are not the least skilful in the art of pleasing. WALLACK'S THEATRE.—A crowded and apprecia-

tive audience welcomed last night the reproduction at Wallack's theatre of Mrs. Centlivre's sparkling omedy of "Wonder, a Woman Keeps a Secret." The enthusiastic reception which has the return of the legitimate drama to the boards of has not retained possession of the public taste. Mr. Wallack exhibited his usual excellent and critical taste-in the manner in which the piece was put wallack exhibited his usual excellent and critical taste in the manner in which the piece was put upon the stage and his delicate interpretation of the rôle of the jealous lover as Don Felix, he called forth frequent appiause. How a lover's jealousy can be received and returned in kind was well exhibited by Miss Rose Eytinge in her reading of the part of Donna Violante. The piece was well rendered throughout by the entire company and received the hearty applause it merited.

STRINWAY HALL.—Last evening, before an exceed-

ngly small audience, we regret to say, when mea-

sured by the capacity of the hall, Olive Logan whilom actress and authoress, made her debut as reader of rythmical and blank verse and staid prose, in behalf of the building fund of the Sunday school attached to the Church of St. Peter, Barclay street. It is but fair to say that the lady's efforts were reasonably successful. She was ambitious, it is true wide apart in their range of thought and so versa-tile in their treatment of English that it is a wonder she got out of her self-imposed task satisfactorily in the presence of an audience that, a though indulgent, was not uncritical. are few ladies, however satisfied of their mental powers or the compass and com-mand of their voices, would attempt at. one sitting Whittier's patriotic poem, founded on an incident of the late war—the raising by an old woman, Barbara Frietchie by name, at Fredericktown, Md., in the face of Stonewall Jackson and town, M.C., in the face of Stonewall Jackson and his followers, of the flag of the Union; Dickens' description of the scene between the immortal Pickwick and his landlady, the loving Mrs. Bardell; Saxe's Cockney; the forum scene in 'Julius Casar,'' incinding the speeches of Brutus and Marc Antony; Longfellow's "Psalm of Life;" Jerroid's immortal "Umbrella Lecture by Mrs. Caudie," and the balcony scene from "Romeo and Juliet." Hypercitcism would be out of place here; but while it may be said her Insteners heartily applicated her recitation of "Barbara Frietchie," which was splendid in every sense, they were not so generously disposed at the conclusion of her scene from "Julius Casar." This was either because the speeches were so hackneyed that they were at the tongue's end of every individual present, or less because Miss Logan was not sufficiently capable of delivering them with that effect which only a perfect conception of the characters that are supposed to speak and a knowledge of the simplest rules of elocution can give. Her reading of Mrs. Bardell's paroxysm was inimitable, as also was her rendering of the love passages between the sweet daughter of the Capulet and the lovestricken representative of the house of Montague. If Miss Logan would succeed as a reader and draw around her rostrum large and favorably disposed audiences she must avoid the rockson which Scott-Siddons came very near stranding herself—namely, the heavier and more trapical themes of Shakspeare. No woman ever successfully rendered, not ever Fanny Kemble Butler, such passages as the great poet has put into the mouths of Brutus, Marc Antony, Macbeeth, Lear and Othello. rendered, not even Fanny Kemble Butler, such passages as the great poet has put into the mouths of Brutus, Marc Antony, Macbeth, Lear and Othello. Olive Logan has a smiling face, and, as she said last night preliminary to the recitations, "reading was her weakness and therefore not her strength," she should select only those parts which will not tax her voice too much or put on a tragic aspect, when her face and even her body seem to be expressly created to "shadow forth" the run of such such carried to "chartens, Hood, Saxe, Holmes and Douglas Jerroid.

PARK THEATRE, BROOKLYN.

ed, we believe, to supply holiday wants, was produced at this house last night. The capacity of the duced at this house last night stage being not exactly suited to spectacular and stage being not exactly suited to spectacular and elaborate affairs like "Aladdin," it is not surprising elaborate affairs like "Aladdin," it is not surprising that its first representation was not altoget; the mark of a "Humpty Dumpty" performs first class Bowers spectacle.

Theatrical and Musical Notes.

in January.

It is rumored that they are about to try patent brakes on the 'train in "After Dark." The performance at the French theatre will be for

the benefit of the Hebrew Fuel Associa Mrs. Scott-Siddons will commence an engage of five nights in Philadelphia on Christmas Eve. Ros sini's "Stabat Mater" was recently perfor at Sh anghae, where there is a musical society of 450

A new song, "A Kiss For Your Thoughts," written for Mile. Sinico by Arditi, is said to rival the famous Miss Henrietta Markstein, the young American

pi anist, will give a concert in Philadelphia on Christ-Barney Williams has already disposed of "emerald rings" sufficient to supply all the candidates for

ymen in the metropolis. Verdi wants all the Italian composers to unite in writing a requiem to be performed on the first anniverstary of Rossini's death. Doré has executed a remarkable drawing in black

and blue pencil of Rossini as he lay after death, be for e being placed in his coffin. 'The San Francisco Minstrels wish to correct the trapression that their opera, "Bone Squash Diablo,"

Y : a posthumous work of Meyerbeer.

Forrest appeared in Boston last night as Jack Code. George Vandenhoff will give readings in the hall of the Union League Club next week.

The sale of tickets yesterday for the Brookiyn performances of "Genevieve de Brabant," on Wednesday and Thursday nights, was immense.

Parepa-Rosa and troupe will give a miscellaneous concert, the first part of which will be devoted to a selection of sacred music, in Cleveland, on Christmas

The two serpents introduced in the drama of "Theodorus," in Paris, do not belong to the orchestra. They are acquainted with the scales, however. ever.

The amateur dramatic and musical entertainment this evening at the Union League Club House, for the great public charity, will be a very interesting

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The Hibernian Minstrels are an organization which will endeavor to unite Ethiopia and the Emeraid isle in the same character—potatoes and hominy. We hope they may succeed.

Blue Beard on horseback is a novelty. The New York Circus has a pantomime of that name in which the prototype of Brigham Young is placed in all sorts of inconvenient positions.

Tony Pastor produces a classical work entitled "Hickety Pickety," one of the mediseval school. The authorship is disputed, but not to the extent of sheriff's officers and injunctions.

As early as 1310 there was a musical society in Piorence called the Laudest, the members singing in Piorence dramas that were given in the churches. The society still existed as late as 1770.

Oscar Pieiffer, the celebrated planist, starts for Boston on Monday on a concert engagement. The Elise Holt burlesque company has commenced an engagement in the same city, opening with "Lucrezia Borgia, M. D., or la Grande Doctresse."

Central Park Garden is the scene of a grand Christmas festival this week. Thomas' orchestra, a Tyrolean singing society, a large automatic theatre, Punch and Judy, and, as they say on the bills, others announced.

Tyrolean singing society, a large automate heart, punch and Judy, and, as they say on the bills, others too numerous to mention, are some of the wonders announced.

A desperate row took place in the saloon of the warieties theatre, Leavenworth, last week, when a man named Thomas Cleary was almost beaten to death by the barkeeper and others, for no apparent cause. The defendants were held to answer on a charge of assault with intent to kill.

A meeting will be held at the Liederkranz Hall this evening, to consider the question of buying the property at the corner of Thirty-seventh street and Lexington avenue for the purpose of erecting a grand music hall and club house there. The society, now numbering nearly 1,200 members, is much oramped in its present quarters in Fourth street.

Regnier, the brilliant actor of the French Comedy, Paris, who has played at that theatre for thirty-eight years, recently asked for his retiring pension. The manager refused to entertain his demand, and all the company went in a body to him to request him to withdraw it. He has agreed to postpone it for two yoars. He will then have played forty years at Vae French Comedy.

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